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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) and Amendment for filing in the above-identified application.

[ ] Small entity status of this application under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 has been established by a Small Entity Statement previously submitted.

[ ] A Small Entity Statement to establish small entity status under 37 C.F.R. 1.9 and 1.27 is enclosed.

The claims fee has been calculated as shown below:

	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
TOTAL	17	MINUS *	43	0
INDEP	2	MINUS **	7	0
<input type="checkbox"/>	FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM			

\* not fewer than 20

\*\* not fewer than 3

#### SMALL ENTITY

	RATE	ADDIT. FEE
X	\$ 25	\$
X	\$ 100	\$
+	\$ 180	\$

TOTAL= \$ 0

#### OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

	RATE	ADDIT. FEE
X	\$ 50	\$
X	\$ 200	\$
+	\$ 360	\$

TOTAL= \$ 0

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#### SMALL ENTITY

Rate	Total Amount Owed
X \$125	\$[ ]

#### OTHER THAN SMALL ENTITY

Rate	Total Amount Owed
X \$250	\$[ ]

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#### Petition for Extension of Time

- [ X ] The undersigned attorney petitions the Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for filing a Notice of Appeal in reply to the Office Action made Final dated June 17, 2005 for three months, from September 17, 2005 to December 17, 2005 under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a).

In lieu of filing a Notice of Appeal, Applicants' Attorney is filing a Request for Continued Examination concurrently herewith.

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	<u>Request for Continued Examination (RCE) fee</u>	\$	<u>790</u>
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Respectfully submitted,

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